

# ABSTRACT

Efficient transverse energy confinement, and provision of a surface acoustic wave filter having preferable characteristics of both insertion loss and shape factor are obtained. In the surface acoustic wave filter, electrode fingers of one comb electrode are laid in a state of being inserted to the electrode fingers of the other comb electrode, and a thick film thicker than each plurality of electrode fingers is produced in a partial area of the bus bar, and a tip gap is provided between the top of each plurality of electrode fingers and the end face of the opposed bus bar, with a distance therebetween set not greater than  $0.2\lambda$  (where,  $\lambda$  is one period of the comb electrode).

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